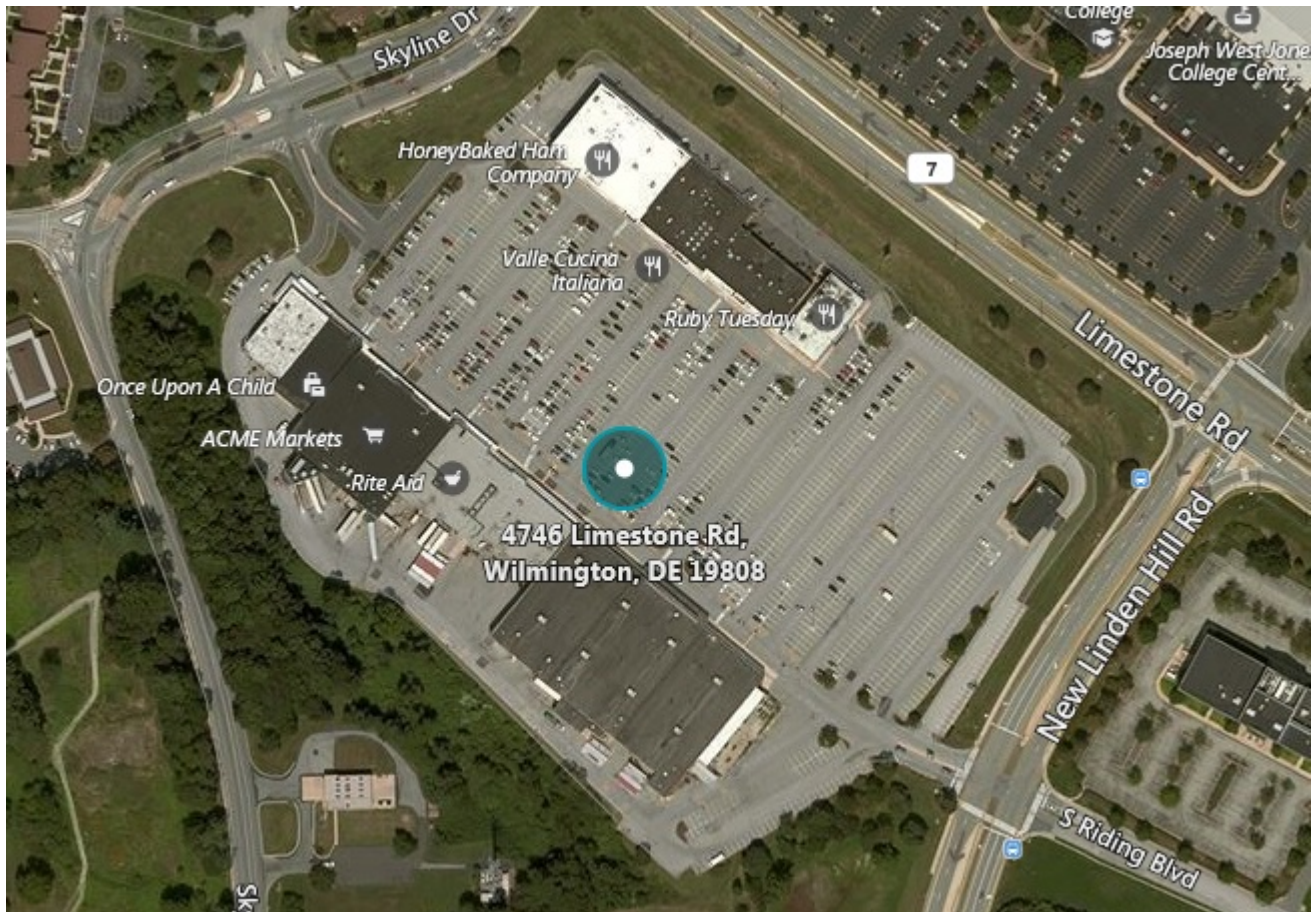


Troopers Investigating Thefts from Vehicles – Pike Creek



Wilmington (19808) – Delaware State Police are investigating multiple vehicle break-ins that took place in the Pike Creek Shopping Center yesterday afternoon.

The preliminary investigation has determined that between 12:00 p.m. and 1:05 p.m., on Tuesday, February 27, 2018, three vehicles had their windows smashed out and property stolen, as they were parked in the Pike Creek Shopping Center, located at 4746 Limestone Road, Wilmington.

During this same time frame, and in the general vicinity the New Castle County Police were also investigating similar break-ins. Click on the following link to view their release.

Police Investigate Multiple Thefts From Motor Vehicles In Hockessin

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information is asked to contact Trooper Harris at Troop 6 by calling 302-633-5000. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

The Delaware State Police are offering the following tips to help prevent our area residents from becoming a victim:

1. Keep your doors to all of your vehicles locked at all times and windows shut.
2. Do not leave items of value in your vehicle. This includes purses, wallets, credit cards, electronics, check books, money, SS card, loose change, documents and paperwork with your personal information listed.
3. Store valuable tools inside your residence. If needed daily for work, create an easy system to load and unload daily, such as, using storage containers to transport.
4. Your glove box should remain locked, and should only store your registration and insurance cards.
5. Do not store your vehicle title in the glove box. Store it with other important documents inside your residence.
6. Do not leave items that are perceived as valuable in plain view, such as, a laptop case with no laptop.
7. Clear the vehicle of all clutter and personal items.
8. Do not keep a spare vehicle key hidden in the same vehicle. Do not store house keys or other keys in your vehicle.
9. If possible, keep your vehicle parked in a well-lit area that you can viewed from your residence.
10. If you have a surveillance security system, include your vehicles in the angle of your camera system.

If you observe a suspicious subject on your property, do not confront them, call 911 immediately. Also, be a good witness

for your neighbor, as you would want them to do the same for you. Pay attention to what is going on in your neighborhood, and report suspicious activity.

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